

**Introduced by Senator Portantino**

February 13, 2017

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An act to add Section 46148 to the Education Code, relating to pupil attendance.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 328, as introduced, Portantino. Pupil attendance: school start time.

Existing law requires the governing board of each school district to fix the length of the schoolday for the several grades and classes of the schools maintained by the school district in accordance with specified provisions of law.

This bill would require the schoolday for middle schools and high schools to begin no earlier than 8:30 a.m. To the extent the bill imposes new duties on school districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 46148 is added to the Education Code,  
2     to read:  
3     46148. The schoolday for middle schools and high schools  
4     shall begin no earlier than 8:30 a.m.  
5     SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that  
6     this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to  
7     local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made  
8     pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division  
9     4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.